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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Plaintiff,

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ANTHONY DAVENPORT, JOHN PATRICK HAY, and LINDA BRODERICK

Defendants.

No. CRO2-40234 CM

VIOLATIONS: 18 U.S.C. § 371 -- Conspiracy; 18 U.S.C. § 1343(1) -- Wire Fraud.; Criminal Forfeiture: 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C)

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INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges:

BACKGROUND:

- 1. At all times relevant to this indictment, Home Depot, a home improvement retailer, used Universal Product Code (UPC) labels, also known as "bar codes," as price tags.

 These labels, which were stuck on merchandise or packaging, contained bars and numbers. The numbers corresponded to a particular item of merchandise and its price.
- 2. At all times relevant to this indictment, whenever Home Depot processed a sale or return of an item, a cashier scanned the UPC label which entered the data into a cash register/computer. The cash register/computer then interpreted the bars and numbers and

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3. At all times relevant to this indictment, all sales and return information entered into Home Depot's local store's cash register/computer at the point of sale was stored on the local store's server and then, at the end of the business day, transmitted via a wire, specifically a T-1 line, to Home Depot's host computer in Atlanta, Georgia. In addition, to receive authorization when processing a return, a cashier entered identity and/or receipt information into a cash register/computer and this information was immediately transmitted via a wire, to Home Depot's host computer in Atlanta, Georgia.

4. At all times relevant to this indictment, Home Depot sold the following items at the following prices:

Price Pfister faucet model # H35-10WV for \$39.97;

Delta faucet model #520-WF for \$64.97;

Malibu light model # LV1076T for \$54.97;

Price Pfister faucet model number 8B98CMB for \$163;

Price Pfister faucet model number 8B98PMK for \$169;

Delta faucet model number 3530NP-24NP for \$199; and

Malibu light model # CL65315T for \$249.

COUNT ONE: 18 U.S.C. § 371 - Conspiracy

5. Beginning at date unknown but no later than and April 4, 2001, and continuing until on or about June 12, 2002, in the Northern District of California and elsewhere, the defendants

ANTHONY DAVENPORT, JOHN PATRICK HAY, and LINDA BRODERICK

knowingly conspired to commit an offense against the United States, in particular wire fraud, a violation of Title 18 United States Code Section 1343.

Means and Methods of the Conspiracy

┖	6.	The	defendants carried out and attempted to carry out the conspiracy by doing the
2	follow	ing:	
3		A.	The defendants made UPC labels, which would fraudulently reflect the
1			following items at the following prices:
5			Price Pfister faucet model # H35-10WV for \$39.97;
5			Delta faucet model #520-WF for \$64.97; and
7			Malibu light model # LV1076T for \$54.97.
8		B.	The defendants entered Home Depot stores and placed these fraudulent
9			UPC labels on more expensive faucets and lights such as:
10			Price Pfister faucets model # 8B98CMB;
11			Price Pfister faucet model # 8B98PMK;
12			Delta faucet model # 3530NP-24NP; and
13			Malibu light model # CL65315T.
14		C.	The defendants then purchased these more expensive faucets and lights at
15			the lower prices reflected in the fraudulent UPC labels.
16		D.	Next, the defendants removed the fraudulent UPC labels they had placed or
17			the expensive faucets and lights, revealing the authentic UPC label for the
18			item.
19		E.	The defendants then returned the expensive items for the real price, making
20			a profit of the difference between the expensive price indicated on the
21			authentic UPC label and the inexpensive price indicated on the fraudulent
22			UPC label. When returning the expensive items, the defendant's received
23			Home Depot store credit cards rather than cash.
24		F.	The defendant's either sold the store credit cards or used the store credit
25	1		card to make more fraudulent purchases.
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Overt Acts of the Conspiracy

7. In furtherance of the conspiracy, and to effect the object of the conspiracy, on June 13, 2002, the defendants possessed the UPC labels for the following:

Price Pfister faucet model # H35-10WV - \$39.97;

Delta faucet model #520-WF -- \$64.97;

Malibu light model # LV1076T -- \$54.97.

8. In furtherance of the conspiracy, and to effect the object of the conspiracy, the defendants made the purchases set out in the table below, each purchase being a separate overt act of the conspiracy:

Home Depot in	Defendant Making the Purchase	Actual Item & Price of Item Purchased	Item & Price based on fraudulently affixed UPC label
Union	нау	2 Mahbu lights model # CL65315T-\$249	2 Makbu lights model # LV1076T-\$54.97
City, CA		5 Price Pfister faucets with prices	5 Price Pfisier faucets model # H35-10WV
,		greater than \$39.97	- \$39 97
Union	Hay	2 Malibu light model # CL65315T ~ \$249	2 Malipu lights model # LV1076T - \$54.97
City, CA		5 Price Pfister faucets with prices	5 Price Pfister faucets model # H35-10WV
		greater than \$39.97	- \$39.97
		2 Delta faucets with prices greater than	2 Delta faucets model #520-WF - \$64 97
		\$64.97	
Mitpitas,	Hay	B Price Pfister fauceis with prices	8 Price Pfister faucets model # H35-10WV
CA		greater than \$39,97	- \$39.97
		3 Delta faucets with prices greater than	3 Delta faucets model #520-WF \$64.97
		\$64.97	
Pinsburgh	Hay	2 Mailiou fights model # CL65315T -249	2 Makbu lights model # LV1076T-\$54.97
CA		5 Delta faucets with prices greater than	5 Delta faucets model #520 - \$64.97
		\$64.97	
Mulipitas.	Hay	6 Price Pfister faucets with prices	6 Price Pfister faucets model # H35-10WV
CA		greater than \$39.97	- \$39.97
	Union City, CA Union City, CA Milipitas, CA Pritsburgh CA Milipitas	Depot in Making the Purchase Union Hay City, CA Union Hay City, CA Milipitas. Hay CA Prissburgh Hay CA Milipitas. Hay	Union riay 2 Mahbu lights model # CL6S315T-\$249 City, CA 5 Price Pfister faucets with prices greater than \$39.97 Union Hay 2 Malibu light model # CL6S315T - \$249 City, CA 5 Price Pfister faucets with prices greater than \$39.97 2 Delta faucets with prices greater than \$64.97 Milipitas. Hay 8 Price Pfister faucets with prices greater than \$39.97 3 Delta faucets with prices greater than \$64.97 Pritisburgh Hay 2 Malibu lights model # CL6S315T - 249 5 Delta faucets with prices greater than \$64.97 Milipitas. Hay 6 Price Pfister faucets with prices greater than \$64.97

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9. In furtherance of the conspiracy, and to effect the object of the conspiracy, the defendants made the returns set out in the table below, each return being a separate overt act of the conspiracy:

Date	Home Depot in	Defendant Making the Return	Items Returned
May 28	Salinas,	Davenport	5 Price Pfister faucets model # 8898PMK - \$169
2002	CA	L	2 Mahou lights model 年 CL65315T\$249
May 31,	Union City,	Davenport	1 Price Plister taucet model # 8898PBC -\$145
2002	CA		2 Price Pfister faucets model # 8B98PMK -\$169
		:	1 Delta faucet model # 474- \$179
			2 Mahbu lights model # CL65315T -\$249
June 1,	Pittsourgn.	Davenpoπ	7 Price Pfister faucet model # 8898P8C -\$145
2002	CA		1 Price Pfister faucet model # 8018CBL -\$149
			2 Delta faucet model # 3530NP-24NP- \$199
			2 Malibu lights model # CL65315T -\$249
June 5,	Mapitas,	Davenport	1 Price Pfister laucet model # 8B98CMB -\$163
2002	CA		2 Price Pfister faucets model # 8B98PMK\$169
			2 Delta faucets model # 3530NP-24NP- \$199
			2 Mation lights model # CL65315T -\$249
June 10,	Union City,	Пау	1 Price Pfister faucet model # 8B98CMB -\$183
2002	CA	Brodenck	4 Price Pfister taucets model # 8898PMK ~\$169
			2 Makbu lights model # CL65315T -\$249
June 12	San	Davenport	3 Price Pfister faucets model # 8B98PMK ~\$169
2002	Leandro,		2 Malibu lights model # CL65315T -\$249
	CA		

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In furtherance of the conspiracy, and to effect the object of the conspiracy, 10. the defendants had the checks set out below deposited into their bank accounts, each deposit being a separate overt act of the conspiracy:

Date Check Posted	Bank Account #	Amount	Payor	Payee
Feb. 5,	Linds Broderick's Bank of America	\$4,000	Shan English and Kim Minter English	Linda Brodenck
2002	account # 003670749976			<u> </u>
Mar 5,	Linea Broderick's Bank of America	\$2,750	CM Investments Joint Venture	Linga Broderick
2002	account # 003670749976			
Mar. 6	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$4,200	Geol M. Parsona	Linda Broderick
2002	account # 003670749976			
Mar.7.	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$4,130	James O. Dees	Linda Bröderick
2002	account # 003670749976			
Mar. 7,	Andrew P. Baguely and Julie M	\$3,570	James D. Dees	Julie Carter
2002	Carrer's Wells Fargo account #			
	549-2897821			
Mar B.	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$4,415	B. Glenn Stephens	Linda Brodenck
2002	account # 003670749976			
Mar. 21,	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$4,265	J. Dennis Dee and Sharon C. Dees	Linda Broderick
2002	account # 003670749976			
Mar. 27.	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$4,523	J. Dennis Dee and Sharon C. Dees	Linda Broderick
2002	account # 003670749976			<u> </u>
April 1	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$4,990	Snan English and Kim Minter English	Linda Broderick
2002	ассоин в 003670749976			
Apni 2,	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$4,300	J. Dennis Dee and Sharon C. Dees	µnda Broderick
2002	account # 003670749976			
Apni 5,	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$2,750	Snan English and Kim Minter English	Linda Broderick
2002	account # 003670749976			

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٦	April 10.	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$4.897	Calls for Canng, Inc.	Linda Brodeńck
] 2	2002	account # 003670749976			
1	April 17,	Linda Brodenck's Bank of America	\$7,030	J. Dennis Dees and Sharon C. Dees	Linda Brodenck
;	2002	эссоция # 003670749976			
\\ \frac{1}{2}	April 18	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$3050	CM Investments Joint Venture	Unda Brodenck
	2002	account # 003670749976			
	May 1,	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$4727	J. Dennis Dees and Sharon C. Dees	Linda Broderick
	2002	account # 003670749976			
	May 3.	Linda Brodenck's Bank of America	\$5189	Cans For Caring Inc.	Linda Brodenck
	2002	шесоыпь № 003670749976	<u> </u>		
	May 10.	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$5786	Calls For Caring Inc.	Linga Brodenck
	2002	account # 003670749976			
	May 15,	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$5000	Calls For Canng Inc.	Linda Broderick
H	2002	account # 003670749976	l		
	May 20.	Linda Brodenck's Bank of America	\$4300	Calls For Canng Inc.	Linda Brodenck
	2002	account # 003670749976			
	May 21,	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$5250	Carls For Caring Inc.	Linda Brodenck
Н	2002	account # 003670749976	l		
	May 26,	Linda Broderick's Bank of America	\$5550	J. Dennis Dees and Sharon C. Dees	Linda Broderick
	2002	sccount # 003670749976			
	May 4,	Linda Brodenick's Bank of America	\$6430	J. Dennis Dees and Sharon C. Dees	Linda Brodenick
U	2002	account # 003670749976			

All in violation of Title 18 United States Code Section 371.

COUNTS TWO - SEVEN:

18 U.S.C. § 1343 - Wire Fraud

11. On or about May 30, 2002, in the Northern District of California, the defendant JOHN PATRICK HAY,

as described above in paragraphs 6A-E, which together with the allegations in paragraphs 1-5, are incorporated herein by reference, knowingly devised a scheme and artifice to defraud and to obtain money and property by means of false and fraudulent pretenses and representations, and, for the purpose of executing such scheme, caused to be transmitted

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from a Home Depot Store in Northern California to Home Depot in Atlanta, Georgia, the following wire communications in interstate commerce as set out below.

Count	Date of Communicat	Home Depot store that sent the Wire Communication	Information Contained in Wire Communication
Two	May 30, 2002	Union City, CA	2 Maiibu lights model # LV1076T-\$54.97
			5 Price Pfister faucets model # H35-10WV - \$39.97
Three	May 31, 2002	Union City, CA	2 Mahou lights model # LV1076T- \$54.97
			5 Price Pfister faucets model # H35-10WV - \$39.97
			2 Detta faucets model #520-WF - \$64.97
Four	May 31, 2002	Milipitas, CA	8 Price Pfister faucets model # H35-10WV - \$39.97
			3 Delta faucets model #520-WF - \$64.97
Five	June 2, 2002	Pittsburgh CA	2 Malibu lights model # LV1076T- \$54.97
			5 Delta faucats model #520 - \$64.97
Six	June 5, 2002	Milipitas, CA	6 Price Pfister faucets model # M35-10WV - \$39 97
Seven	June 6, 2002	Union City, CA	2 Makey lights model # LV1076T \$54.97
			6 Price Pfister faucets model # H35-10WV - \$39.97

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343.

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